

## Message Text

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

C O N F I D E N T I A L KABUL 3295

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, PINT, AF  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST COLONEL BECOMES NEW MINISTER OF FINANCE

COLONEL MEHRABUDDIN PAKTIAWAL, A KNOWN MEMBER OF THE  
PRO-SOVIET KHALQ PARTY OF AFGHANISTAN, WAS NAMED MINISTER  
OF FINANCE ON APRIL 29. WE THINK PAKTIAWAL ACQUIRED HIS  
UNIFORM VERY RECENTLY. HE HAD BEEN A CIVILIAN OFFICIAL IN  
THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AT ONE TIME.  
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## Message Attributes

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